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In re application of: Claire RICHTARCH

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Application No: 10/671,812

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For: METHOD OF PREPARING A SURFACE
OF A SEMICONDUCTOR WAFER TO
MAKE IT EPIREADY

Atty. Docket No.: 4717-11300

AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the office action dated March 2, 2005, please enter the following amendments and comments into the file of this application.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the complete listing of all claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.

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